

MORAVIAN ORIENTEERING CLUB

Constitution

1. **Title and Purpose** The club shall be called the Moravian Orienteering Club (hereinafter known as the Club). The purpose of the Club is to promote and regulate the sport of orienteering in the Moray area.

2. **Management**
 - (a) The affairs of the Club shall be conducted by a Committee which shall consist of the Office Bearers named in Clause 2(b) and up to six members of the Club. A quorum shall consist of not less than half the voting strength of the Committee. The Committee shall meet as often as required for the efficient conduct of the Club's affairs, but not less than four times a year.
 - (b) The Office Bearers of the Club shall consist of a President, who shall act as a Chairman at Committee and General Meetings, a Vice-President, a Secretary, who shall keep a Minute Book and record in it the business of all meetings, a Treasurer, who shall present an audited Statement of Accounts to the membership annually, and a Newsletter Editor/Publicity Officer. The Office Bearers and Committee shall be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting.
 - (c) The Committee shall have power to delegate responsibility to sub-committees who shall have the power to co-opt.

3. **Membership**

Membership of the club shall be open to any person interested in furthering the objects of the club and who has paid the annual subscription appropriate to his or her membership category. No individual shall be excluded from membership of the club, or debarred from any official capacity on the committee on the grounds of sex, race, colour, age, religion, sexual orientation, disability or political affiliation.

The committee shall have power to terminate the membership of any individual, or exclude any individual from membership, provided that the decision of the committee (with the exception of (1) the individual concerned if a member of the committee and (2) any member of the committee making or connected with the complaint against the individual) is unanimous both as to the termination and as to there being good reason for it, and provided that the individual concerned shall have the right to be heard by the committee, accompanied by a friend if desired, before a final decision is made.

Membership fees for the following year shall be determined at each Annual General Meeting and shall be due each 1st January. There shall be three categories of membership, linked to orienteering standard age categories:-

 - a) Senior (M/W21 and over)
 - b) Junior (M/W20 and under)
 - c) Family (parents and all children under 16 years)

4. **Finance** The financial year of the Club shall be 1st April to 31st March of the following year. The books shall be balanced and independently examined for each year and submitted at the Annual General Meeting. The income and property of the Club, whencesoever derived, shall be applied solely towards promoting the objects of the Club as set forth under (1) above, and no portion thereof shall be paid or transferred either directly or indirectly to any member or members of the Club except in payment of legitimate expenses incurred on behalf of the Club.

5. **Annual General Meeting** The Club shall hold an Annual General Meeting after 1st May and before the end of June each year.

6. **Extraordinary General Meeting** An Extraordinary General Meeting shall be called by the Committee without undue delay if a request, signed by two members is presented.

7. **Notices**

- (a) Amendments to the Constitution shall be submitted in writing to the Secretary by 1st April for consideration at the ensuing Annual General Meeting.
- (b) Twenty-one days' notice will be given to all voting members of any General Meeting.

8. **Voting** All Club members shall have the right to vote at General Meetings as follows:-

Senior	one vote
Junior	one vote
Family	one vote

In all matters put to vote at all meetings a simple majority is required. The Chairman at all meetings shall not have a deliberative vote, but use his casting vote in the event of a tie.

9. **Dissolution** If, upon the winding up or dissolution of the Club, there remains after the satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities any property whatsoever, the same shall be given or transferred to some other organisation or organisations having objects similar to the objects of the Club, such organisation or organisations to be determined by the members of the Club by Resolution passed at a General meeting at or before the time of the dissolution, and in so far as effect cannot be given to such provision then to some charitable object.

Revised January 2009
